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After September 11, Islam became nearly synonymous with fundamentalism in the eyes of Western media and literature. However widely held this view may be, it is at odds with Islam's rich political history. Renowned Egyptian scholar Nasr Abû Zayd here considers the full breadth of contemporary Muslim writings to examine the diverse political, religious, and cultural views that inform discourse in the Islamic world. Reformation of Islamic Thought explores the

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writings of intellectuals from Egypt to Iran to Indonesia, probing their efforts to expand Islam beyond traditional and legalistic interpretations. Zayd reveals that many Muslim thinkers advocate culturally enlightened Islam with an emphasis on individual faith. He then investigates the extent of these Muslim reformers' success in generating an authentic renewal of Islamic ideology, asking if such thinkers have escaped the traditionalist trap of presenting a negative image to the West. A fascinating and highly relevant study for our times, Reformation of Islamic Thought

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is an essential analysis of Islam's present and future. The authors of this volume analyse the development of historiography in Southeast Europe after the collapse of socialism. On the one hand, they discuss efforts at reevaluating the past. On the other hand, their contributions reveal that recent historiography has often been characterised by a high degree of continuity despite social and political transformation. Neither the methodology nor the topics of mainstream historiography have changed. Nevertheless, new approaches have developed that do not

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view the past from a narrow political and national perspective. They connect to international discourse and break out of the parochialism of much of traditional historical writing in Southeast Europe. The Balkans and the Near East share millennia of a joint history, which stretches from the settling of man to the 20th century. The task split between the various scholarly disciplines into the fields of Balkan studies and Near (Middle) East studies has resulted in dividing a shared history into various sub-histories. This book reunites these isolated histories,

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*opening up completely new
historical perspectives. (Series:
Studies on South East Europe -
Vol. 12)*

*This edited collection examines
post-2008 developments in
Balkan cinema in terms of
aesthetics and industry. It
provides critical and
comprehensive profiles of the
cinematic output in each
Balkan country, while stressing
transnational links, global
networks and cross-cultural
exchanges.*

*Mimetic Theory and Islam
Not in Heaven*

*The Qur'an - English Meanings
Searching for Meaning in
Midrash*

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*Engaging Self-Centrism from a
Plurality of Perspectives
A Brief History of Egypt
Battling to the End*

**An Encomium on Saint
Anthony by John of Schmun A
letter to the Disciples of
Antony by Serapion of Thmuis
Instrumental in the
conversion of many, including
St. Augustine, The Life of
Antony provided the model
saint's life and constitutes, in
the words of patristics scholar
Johannes Quasten, 'the most
important document of early
monasticism.' Here is one
volume are translations of the
text in the Greek written by
Athanasius (from the new
critical edition of G. J. M.**

Bartelink) and in the Coptic, the language Antony himself spoke. Two short contemporary coptic texts further manifest the powerful influence of 'the father of monks.'

From tales of Adam, Moses, and other biblical figures, to the fall of Lucifer and the quarrel of the sun and moon, an anthology of Jewish myth presents seven hundred key stories and through extensive commentary places them in context with the literature of the world.

The Qur'an was revealed to the Prophet Muhammad (pbuh) 1400 years ago. It is the supreme authority in Islam and the source of all

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Islamic teaching; it is a sacred text and a book of guidance that sets out the creed, rituals, ethics, and laws of the Islamic religion. It has been one of the most influential books in the history of literature. Recognized as the greatest literary masterpiece in Arabic, it has nevertheless remained difficult to understand in its English translations. This is a modern translation that was undertaken by three American women converts to Islam, Emily Assami, Amatullah Bantley and Mary Kennedy .Originally produced in 1997, this translation of the Holy Qur'an has received wide acclaim and respect for

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accurately reflecting Arabic meanings. "Simple language and attention to detail have made this a superior English translation" The main objectives that served as guidelines for this translation were: To present correct meanings, as far as possible, in accordance with the Aqeedah of Ahl as-Sunnah wal-Jamaah To simplify and clarify the language for the benefit of all readers To let the Qur'an speak for itself, adding footnotes only where deemed necessary for explanation of points not readily understood or when more than one meaning is acceptable This Edition consists of the English Translated Text only.

This book asks why several ethnic and linguistic groups in Central Europe and the Balkans have not yet been legally recognized as national minorities. Some of these hidden minorities have not developed an intellectual elite that can visibly present their identity and claims to the majority population. Other groups are deliberately concealing their existence and language for reasons of self-protection. The chapters in this volume address the everyday mechanisms of hiding and being hidden in the transition zone of these two European regions.

**God and Man in the Qur'an
Islam and International Law**

Nasser

**New Perspectives on the
Crisis and its Aftermath
A Dialogue on Historical
Anthropology of the Balkans
movimenti studenteschi,
opposizione politica e processi
di democratizzazione in Asia e
in Africa**

**"The Wound Where Light
Enters"**

When the scientific study of the Black Sea Region began in the late 18th and early 19th centuries, initially commissioned by adjacent powers such as the Habsburg and the Russian empires, this terra incognita was not yet considered part of Europe. The eighteen chapters of this volume show a broad range of thematic foci and

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theoretical approaches - the result of the enormous richness of the European macrocosm and the BSR. The microcosms of the many different case studies under scrutiny, however, demonstrate the historical dimension of exchange between the allegedly opposite poles of 'East' and 'West' and underscore the importance of mutual influences in the development of Europe and the BSR.

This volume explores the 'Mimetic Theory' of the cultural theorist René Girard and its applicability to Islamic thought and tradition. Authors critically examine Girard's assertion about the connection between group

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formation, religion, and 'scapegoating' violence. These insights, Girard maintained, have their source in biblical revelation. Are there parallels in other faith traditions, especially Islam? To this end, Muslim scholars and scholars of Mimetic Theory have examined the hypothesis of an 'Abrahamic Revolution.' This is the claim that Judaism, Christianity, and Islam each share in a spiritual and ethical historical 'breakthrough:' a move away from scapegoating violence, and towards a sense of justice for the innocent victim.

The Quran is among the most influential books in the history of literature, and is a source of

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Islam. This translation by Sir Yusuf Ali is one of the most widely known and used in the English-speaking world.

Since the death of Egyptian president Gamal Abdel Nasser in 1970 there has been no ideology to capture the imagination of the Arab world except Islamic fundamentalism. Any sense of completely secular Arab states ended with him and what we see today happening in the Middle East is a direct result of Western opposition to Nasser's strategies and ideals. Nasser is a fascinating figure fraught with dilemmas. With the CIA continually trying to undermine him, Nasser threw his lot in with the Soviet Union, even

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though he was fervently anti-Communist. Nasser wanted to build up a military on par with Israel's, but didn't want either the '56 or '67 wars. This was a man who was a dictator, but also a popular leader with an ideology which appealed to most of the Arab people and bound them together. While he was alive, there was a brief chance of actual Arab unity producing common, honest, and incorruptible governments throughout the region. More than ever, the Arab world is anti-Western and teetering on disaster, and this examination of Nasser's life is tantamount to understanding whether the interests of the West

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and the Arab world are reconcilable. Nasser is a definitive and engaging portrait of a man who stood at the center of this continuing clash in the Middle East.

A Critical Historical Analysis
Introduction to a Shared History
The Culture and Politics of
Modern Muslim Education
Girardians

Youth and Leisure in Socialist
Bulgaria

Between the Archives and the
Field

The Colloquium on Violence and
Religion, 1990-2010

This comprehensive and
important volume includes
contributions by activists,

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journalists, lawyers and scholars from twenty-one countries. The essays map the directions the movement for women's rights is taking--and will take in the coming decades--and the concomittant transformation of prevailing notions of rights and issues. They address topics such as the rapes in former Yugoslavia and efforts to see that a War Crimes Tribunal responds; domestic violence; trafficking of women into the sex trade; the persecution of lesbians; female genital mutilation; and reproductive rights.

Mimetic Theory and Islam"The Wound Where Light

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A LIST OF THE NAMES OF THE
SURAH (CHAPTERS) OF THE
QURAN-E-KARIM IN PART-1: 1.
Al-Fatihah (The Opening) 2.
Al-Baqarah (The Cow) 3.
Al-'Imran (The Family of
Amran) 4. An-Nisa' (The
Women) 5. Al-Ma'idah (The
Food) 6. Al-An'am (The
Cattle) 7. Al-A'raf (The
Elevated Places) 8. Al-Anfal
(Voluntary Gifts) 9. Al-
Bara'at / At-Taubah(The
Immunity) 10. Yunus (Jonah)
11. Hud (Hud) 12. Yusuf
(Joseph) 13. Ar-Ra'd (The
Thunder) 14. Ibrahim
(Abraham) 15. Al-Hijr (The
Rock) 16. An-Nahl (The Bee)
17. Bani Isra'il (The
Israelites) 18. Al-Kahf (The

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Cave) 19. Maryam (Mary) 20.
Ta Ha (Ta Ha) 21. Al-Anbiya'
(The Prophets) 22. Al-Hajj
(The Pilgrimage)

Includes the full German
text, accompanied by German-
English vocabulary. Notes
and a detailed introduction
in English put the work in
its social and historical
context.

Semantics of the Qur'anic
Weltanschauung

Armed Coexistence

(Re)writing History

Conversations with Benoit
Chantre

Two Decades of Historical
Family Research at
University of Graz

Transnational Exchanges and
Global Circuits

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The Future of European
Tourism

Since the Taliban seized Kabul in 1996, the public has grappled with the relationship between Islamic education and radical Islam. Media reports tend to paint madrasas--religious schools dedicated to Islamic learning--as medieval institutions opposed to all that is Western and as breeding grounds for terrorists. Others have claimed that without reforms, Islam and the West are doomed

to a clash of civilizations. Robert Hefner and Muhammad Qasim Zaman bring together eleven internationally renowned scholars to examine the varieties of modern Muslim education and their implications for national and global politics. The contributors provide new insights into Muslim culture and politics in countries as different as Morocco, Egypt, Pakistan, India, Indonesia, Iran, and Saudi Arabia. They demonstrate that Islamic

education is neither timelessly traditional nor medieval, but rather complex, evolving, and diverse in its institutions and practices. They reveal that a struggle for hearts and minds in Muslim lands started long before the Western media discovered madrasas, and that Islamic schools remain on its front line. Schooling Islam is the most comprehensive work available in any language on madrasas and Islamic education.

Chronicles the history of Egyptian politics, economics, social and cultural developments from ancient times to the present.

This book might as well have been entitled in a more general way "Semantics of the Qur'an" but for the fact the main part of the present study is almost extensively concerned with the problem of the personal relation between God and man in the Qur'anic worldview. Coming from the pen of the first

serious Asian scholar and a Japanese, this book is now available in a new improved edition.

This book is the first to comprehensively explore the origins and reasons behind the Sino-Indian border dispute's intractability. Utilising an array of accurate maps, tables, archival and scholarly research, this book shows how an ambiguous frontier became a contested border and how it has become relatively pacified yet remaining

unresolved. Unlike previous examinations, however, this book also provides a theoretically based explanation as to why it is so difficult for an interstate border dispute to be resolved. By examining a wide range of salient actors, from state leaders to the individual governing organisations to the State itself, it is shown that it is usually in their interest to maintain the status quo rather than seek some form of resolution, thereby

**ensuring that the border
dispute remains
intractable. With both
China and India shaping
up to be major powers
throughout the twenty-
first century, a detailed
examination of the major
issue of contention
between them is more
pertinent now than ever.
A History of Tourism in
Socialism (1950s-1980s)
Language and Ethnic
Identity Between Central
Europe and the Balkans
A History of Early
Knowledge Exchange
(1750-1850)**

**Quran E Karim
Contemporary Balkan
Cinema
Reformation of Islamic
Thought
The Holy Quran: English
Translation of the
Meanings**

The present volume binds together papers presented at the International Colloquium on Historical Anthropology held at the Faculty of Philosophy in Belgrade 1 - 2. 10. 1996. The Colloquium offered to researchers coming from different scientific communities (Austrian and Serbian) and disciplines (historical anthropology, social history and social anthropology) an opportunity to exchange ideas and opinions in

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direct dialogue.

For the Sake of Allah explores the Gülen Movement, also known as Hizmet, a religio-social movement inspired by Fethullah Gülen, one of the most prominent Islamic scholars of Turkish origin in the modern world. Notwithstanding the current purge of Hizmet under the Erdoğan regime, it is one of the most interesting faith-based movements to arise from a Muslim society in the twentieth century. Since the late 1960s, Hizmet has opened thousands of schools around the world and has also contributed to relief efforts in Turkey and abroad.

This book undertakes a critical analysis of the history of domestic tourism in Yugoslavia under Communism. Despite the central role of tourism in the political making of

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the Yugoslav socialist state after WWII and in everyday life, the topic has remained neglected as an object of historical research, which has tended to dwell on war and "ethnic" conflict in the past two decades. For many former citizens of Yugoslavia, however, memories of holidaymaking, as well as tourism as a means of livelihood, today evoke a sense of the "good life" people enjoyed before the economy, and subsequently the country, fell apart. The story evolved from the popularization of tourism and holidaymaking among Yugoslav citizens in the 1950s and 1960s to the consumer practices of the 1970s and 1980s. The essays review tourism as a political, economic and social project of the Yugoslav federal state, and as a crucial field of social integration; it is

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investigated how ideologies aimed to turn workers into consumers of "purposeful" leisure, and how these ideas were set against actual practices of recreation and holidaymaking.

In *Battling to the End* René Girard engages Carl von Clausewitz (1780–1831), the Prussian military theoretician who wrote *On War*. Clausewitz, who has been critiqued by military strategists, political scientists, and philosophers, famously postulated that "War is the continuation of politics by other means." He also seemed to believe that governments could constrain war. Clausewitz, a firsthand witness to the Napoleonic Wars, understood the nature of modern warfare. Far from controlling violence, politics follows in war's wake: the means of war have

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become its ends. René Girard shows us a Clausewitz who is a fascinated witness of history's acceleration. Haunted by the French-German conflict, Clausewitz clarifies more than anyone else the development that would ravage Europe. Battling to the End pushes aside the taboo that prevents us from seeing that the apocalypse has begun. Human violence is escaping our control; today it threatens the entire planet.

The Mythology of Judaism
The Dynamics of the Intractable Sino-Indian Border Dispute
The Rise of the Ottoman Empire
Studies in the History of Turkey, thirteenth–fifteenth Centuries
The Origin, Development and Discourse of The Gulen Movement
Schooling Islam
(Hidden) Minorities

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Islam and International Law explores the multi-faceted relationship of Islam and international law. Current debates on Sharia, Islam and the "West" often suffer from prejudice and platitudes. The book seeks to engage such self-centrism by providing a plurality of perspectives, both in terms of interdisciplinary research and geographic backgrounds.

This book explores the lives of young Bulgarians in the Cold War era when the Communist Party saw dance hits like "The Twist" as a menace to youth and society. It investigates the Party's efforts to shape youth into "socialist personalities" and to create a socialist mass culture in the face of "Westernization". On the basis of biographical interviews, the author

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takes a critical look at the popular view of youth enthusiasm for Western rock and lifestyles as resistance. Young Bulgarians scarcely challenged the socialist order. But at the same time, the Party failed to impose its notion of conformity on the self-proclaimed "Beatles generation". Karin Taylor is a researcher in history and cultural studies with a background in journalism and advertising. Her recent research focuses on Southeast Europe. On the occasion of the 20th anniversary of the foundation of the 'Balkan Family History Project' at the University of Graz in 1993, this volume unites the most outstanding essays by the project members that have appeared over the course of the previous two decades, scattered in

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various journals and books. These essays cover the interval from the 19th to the 21st century and reflect the current status of Balkan family research in historical, anthropological, and demographical perspectives. (Series: Studies on South East Europe - Vol. 13)

Searching for Meaning in Midrash explores the fascinating body of Jewish literature called Midrash—creative interpretations of the Bible that are designed to reveal hidden or deeper meaning in Scripture. Each of the over 50 midrashim sit next to its corresponding biblical text so that readers can compare them, along with commentary on the times and insights of the Rabbis who wrote each midrash. Readers are given guidance for

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answering "What does this text mean to me?"

Lessons for Everyday Living

Household and Family in the Balkans

Tree of Souls

Reassessing Suez 1956

Let's Twist Again

Coherence and Complexity in Biblical
Narrative

International Feminist Perspectives

The nationalization of the Suez Canal in 1956 triggered one of the gravest international crises since the Second World War. The fiftieth anniversary of the Suez crisis in 2006 presented an ideal opportunity to re-visit and reassess this seminal episode in post-war history. Although much has been written on Suez, this

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study provides fresh perspectives by reflecting the latest research from leading international authorities on the crisis and its aftermath. By drawing on recently released documents, by including previously neglected aspects of Suez, and by reassessing its more familiar ones, the volume makes a key contribution to furthering research on - and understanding of - the crisis. The volume explores the origins of the crisis, the crisis itself and the aftermath all from a broad perspective. An introduction by the editor presents the current state of the historiography and provides an overview of the

debates surrounding the crisis, while the conclusion by Scott Lucas not merely draws the themes of the book together, but also explores the crisis in its regional and international context. Within the overall context of focussing on the international and military aspects of the crisis, it is an explicit intention to embody in the contributions the multifaceted nature of Suez. Although Britain, as in many ways the principal actor, is strongly represented, there are also highly original chapters on both the regional and international dimensions to the crisis, and crucially the interaction between the two. As

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well as exploring the role of the main protagonists, essays also deal with American, Jordanian and Turkish reactions to the invasion. The overall result is an innovative, thought-provoking, and wide-ranging reassessment of Suez and its aftermath, which at a time when the Middle East once again holds the world's attention, is particularly appropriate.

This book documents the story of the Colloquium on Violence & Religion (COV&R), founded at Stanford University in 1990. COV&R brings together international scholars and educators in various fields who are dedicated to the exploration,

***criticism, and development of
Rene Girard's mimetic model of
the relationship between
violence and religion in the
genesis and maintenance of
culture. Girard's work has
generated a diversity of
interdisciplinary research
programs. The book recounts the
history of COV&R's meetings
and the research of its members
and friends that have had a
special role in the adventure of
ideas flowing from Girard's
mimetic theory. (Series: Beitrage
zur mimetischen Theorie.
Religion - Gewalt -
Kommunikation - Weltordnung -
Vol. 32)
Growing out of a conference***

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entitled Literary Theory volume reveal, among other more particularistic points, a fundamental overt disagreement regarding the question of coherence in narrative point of view, i.e. between the assumption or discovery of coherent and unitary narratives and narrators, the critique of this assumption, and the assumption or discovery of its opposite. No index. Annotation copyrighted by Book News, Inc., Portland, OR Paul Wittek's The Rise of the Ottoman Empire was first published by the Royal Asiatic Society in 1938 and has been out of print for more than a quarter of a century. The present reissue

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of the text also brings together translations of some of his other studies on Ottoman history; eight closely interconnected writings on the period from the founding of the state to the Fall of Constantinople and the reign of Mehmed II. Most of these pieces reproduces the texts of lectures or conference papers delivered by Wittek between 1936 and 1938 when he was teaching at Université Libré in Brussels, Belgium. The books or journals in which they were originally published are for the most part inaccessible except in specialist libraries, in a period when Wittek's activities as an Ottoman historian, in particular his

formulations regarding the origins and subsequent history of the Ottoman state (the "Ghazi thesis"), are coming under increasing study within the Anglo-Saxon world of scholarship. An introduction by Colin Heywood sets Wittek's work in its historical and historiographical context for the benefit of those students who were not privileged to experience it firsthand. This reissue and recontextualizing of Wittek's pioneering work on early Ottoman history makes a valuable contribution to the field and to the historiography of Asian and Middle Eastern history generally.

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***Women's Rights, Human Rights
Yugoslavia's Sunny Side***

***Historiography in Southeast
Europe After Socialism***

The Balkans and the Near East

The Life of Antony

Der Jungste Tag